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ANNUAL REPORT

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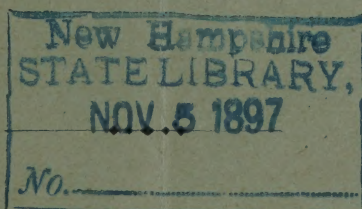
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ARTICLES IN WARRANT

— FOR —

ANNUAL MEETING, TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 1885,

AT NINE O'CLOCK, A. M.

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose all necessary Town Officers, Wardens and Agents.

Art. 3. To raise such sums of money as may be needed for usual town charges.

Art. 4. To raise money for a Highway Tax; to see how the town will have it paid, whether in money or labor; to see how they will have it expended; to see what time they will have the Surveyors enter upon the duties of their office; to see if the town will determine the prices to be allowed for labor, materials, and use of tools applied in working out the taxes.

Art. 5. To see what discount the town will allow for prompt payment of taxes.

Art. 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to several matters pertaining to schools, how they will apply the Literary Fund, how they will assign the school money, what sum they will raise in addition to the amount required by law to be raised for the support of schools, to choose a special committee, to see what business arrangement they will conclude through their special committee with the Trustees of the Barnard School Fund, agreeably to Chap. 90, Sect. 15, General Laws of New Hampshire.

Art. 7. To see what they will do with the grass at the Pool, Beach and Burying Grounds.

Art. 8. To see if the town will dispense with the Liquor Agency.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote that repairs and improvements be made upon the grave-yard and grave-yard fences, and make appropriation for the same.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to purchase a "Road Machine," and make appropriation for the same.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to have the Town Hall painted the present year, and make appropriation for the same.

Art. 12. To see what action the town will take in regard to a settlement with the several Collectors who have not settled their accounts with the town.

Art. 13. To see if the town will allow shade trees to be set upon the common in front of Town Hall, if done so without expense to the town, and under the approval of the Selectmen.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION BY SELECTMEN, APRIL, 1884.

		<i>Value.</i>	<i>Average per head.</i>
Number acres improved and unimproved lands, and buildings,	5011	\$200,298	
Number of Polls assessed,	104	10,400	
“ Horses “	92	5,770	\$62 72
“ Oxen “	32	2,245	70 16
“ Cows “	143	4,585	32 06
“ Neats “	41	960	23 41
“ Sheep “	102	515	5 05
“ Hogs “	7	97	
“ Carriages “	6	335	
Money on hand and at interest,		5,250	
Stock in trade,		12,810	
Total,		\$243,265	

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1884 AND FOR 1885.

State Tax,	\$ 424 00	\$ 424 00
County Tax,	294 87	525 11
Town Tax, usual expenses,	400 00	
Town Tax, repairs on Town Hall,	100 00	
School Tax, required by law,	371 00	371 00
School Tax, addition, by vote of town,	80 50	
School-House Tax, District No. 1,	100 00	
Highway Tax, non-residents.	135 37	
Dog Tax,	9 00	
About three per cent. added,	85 95	

Committed to Andrew J. Currier, Coll'r, \$2000 69

Rate for County, State, Town and School Taxes, 72 cts. on \$100.

Rate for Highway Tax, 21 cents on \$100.

Rate for School-House Tax, District No. 1, 10 cents on \$100.

For the appropriation for Highway Tax, payable in labor, names of Surveyors, etc., see page 7 of this Report.

SELECTMEN'S RECEIPTS.

From State Treasurer, Railroad tax,	\$ 1 38
“ “ Savings Bank tax,	44 14
“ “ Literary Fund,	37 52
“ “ Bounty on Woodchucks,	29 70
From County Treasurer, support E. C. Tenney,	52 00
“ “ children S. E. Ring,	104 00
“ “ family of G. S. Shattuck,	4 50
Tax of Frank Chase for 1882, paid after abatement,	1 00
Phillips White for grass at Pool, Beach & Burying-grounds,	25
Sale of two Surveyor's Books,	20
Rent of Town Hall, dancing,	1 00
“ “ “ festivals and sociables,	4 00
“ “ “ religious meetings,	10 00
“ “ “ roller skating,	10 00
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Paid to the Treasurer,	\$ 299 69

TREASURER'S REPORT,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1885.

1884.—March 12. Cash on hand,	\$ 259 32	
“ “ “ “ dog money,	6 00	
	<hr/>	265 32
Received of S. N. Welch, Collector for 1878,		10 00
“ A. J. Currier, “ “ 1882,		4 10
“ “ “ “ “ 1883,	\$168 16	
“ “ “ “ ’83, dog money,	4 00	
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“ “ “ “ 1884,	1800 00	
“ “ “ “ ’84, dog money,	6 00	
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Cash received of the Selectmen,		299 69
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Total received,		\$ 2557 27

Paid agreeably to Selectmen's orders,	\$ 2139 62	
" " " " " dog money,	6 00	
	<hr/>	2145 62
Cash on hand,	401 65	
" " dog money,	10 00	
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		\$2557 27

JACOB EATON, Treasurer.

EXPENSES IN DETAIL.

SCHOOL-HOUSE.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE.

Paid Frank M. Jewell, Building Committee,	\$ 100 00
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SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Amount raised, required by law, \$371.00. In addition, by vote of the town, \$80.50. Literary Fund, \$37.52.

District No. 1 has 43 per cent., District No. 2 has 33 per cent., District No. 3 has 24 per cent. Literary Fund divided equally.

Paid Frank M. Jewell, Prudential Com., Dist. No. 1,	\$206 64
" Frederick B. French, " " " " 2,	161 50
" Charles M. Evans, " " " " 3,	120 86
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	\$489 00

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid E. C. Tenney, for support,	\$ 52 00
" Thomas Sawyer, support of Ring children,	104 00
" John A. Douglass, services and medicine to family of George S. Shattuck,	4 50
" George B. Palmer, time to Exeter before the County Commissioners,	1 00
" Frederick B. French, three times to Exeter in pauper cases and to settle with Co. Commissioners,	5 00
Frederick B. French, for lodgings and meals to tramp,	1 00
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	\$167 50

NOTE AND INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Paid Benjamin R. Jewell, Treasurer of Barnard School	
Fund, the interest on their note,	\$ 150 00

ABATEMENTS.

FOR 1883, ANDREW J. CURRIER, COLLECTOR.

Charles W. Hazleton, tax on poll, land, house and dogs,	\$10 04
Washington F. Currier, part of poll tax,	50
Oliver H. F. Delaware, over 70 years old,	1 10
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	\$ 11 64

FOR 1884, ANDREW J. CURRIER, COLLECTOR.

Betsey Goodwin, for money lost since assessment,	\$ 2 88
Ervin S. Annable, poll tax, moved from town,	72
George F. Blake, poll tax and horse, moved from town,	1 48
Washington F. Currier, poll tax in part, " "	22
David Fogg, poll tax and horse, " "	98
Sylvester German, poll tax, " "	72
Frank McCoy, " " "	72
Horatio Manson, " " "	72
Hiram Manson, " " "	72
Horace M. Brown, dog tax, mistake in assessing,	1 00
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	\$ 10 16

DISCOUNTS—AS PER VOTE OF THE TOWN.

Paid the Collector, 3 per cent. discounts,	\$ 35 56
" " 1 1-2 per cent. discounts,	2 29
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	\$ 37 85

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

At the last annual election it was voted to raise the sum of \$500 for a highway tax, to be expended in labor, two-thirds of it as a summer tax, and one-third as a winter tax. The Surveyors, and the amount of their warrants, are as follows:

John Paige, District No. 1,	\$ 115 02
Charles F. Savory, District No. 2,	80 14
Charles M. Evans, " " 3,	65 95
Andrew J. Currier, " " 4,	12 56
George M. Kimball, " " 5,	52 78
Edgar P. True, " " 6,	33 89
David T. Woodman, " " 7,	13 33

Roscoe H. Morrill, Amos Morrill and Frank P. Gile are allowed by law to work out their highway taxes upon the private ways leading from their residences to the highways.

Upon the first Saturday in July next the Surveyors will make a settlement with the Selectmen, deliver their books to them, and any tax list not worked out nor paid to the Surveyor will then be given by the Selectmen to the Collector for collection, and the time for which real estate is holden for highway taxes is extended one year.

The highway taxes of the non-residents, to the amount of \$135.37, was committed to the Collector for collection.

Several of the non-residents applied to the Selectmen and were given permission to exercise their lawful right to work out their highway taxes from the first to the twentieth of June, their names and the amount of the tax worked out by them will be found on page 8.

The Selectmen have ordered paid from the treasury for labor and materials, as follows, expended upon the Highways and Bridges:

HIGHWAY DIST. NO. 2,—CHARLES F. SAVORY, SURVEYOR, 1883.

Paid Charles F. Savory, snow paths,	\$ 5 10
" Frank O. Towle, " "	1 65
" R. F. Dow, " "	75
" F. B. French, " "	75
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	\$ 8 25

HIGHWAY DIST. NO. 3,—OTIS W. TOWLE, SURVEYOR, 1883.

Paid Charles M. Evans, snow paths,	\$ 2 10
“ John C. Evans, “ “	75
“ Ira N. Taylor, “ “	2 47
Thomas D. Ham, “ “	1 50
William F. Towle, “ “	4 20
E. B. Bartlett, “ “	52
Hazen Davis, “ “	56
Otis W. Towle, “ “	11 25
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	\$ 23 35

HIGHWAY DIST. NO. 4,—ANDREW J. CURRIER, SURVEYOR, 1883.

Paid Andrew J. Currier, snow paths,	\$ 60
“ Washington F. Currier, snow paths,	50
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	\$ 1 10

HIGHWAY DIST. NO. 6,—EBENEZER WOODMAN, SURVEYOR, 1883.

Paid Ebenezer Woodman, snow paths,	\$ 75
Paid Roscoe H. Morrill, refunded his highway tax, 1883,	1 87
“ John C. Evans, for 608 feet bridge plank,	10 94

NON-RESIDENTS, WHO WORKED THEIR TAXES.

Paid Nathaniel Currier, New York, labor in Dist. No. 4,	\$ 3 99
“ Edmund Morrill, Salisbury, “ “ “ 3,	4 62
“ Joseph Brown, Kensington, “ “ “ 3,	2 10
“ Levi B. Tilton, “ labor in Morrill's lane,	3 36
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	\$ 14 07

Total for Highways and Bridges, \$60.33.

TOWN HOUSE REPAIRS,—APPROPRIATION \$100.

By direction and approval of Jacob Eaton, Charles F. Savory
and Ebenezer Woodman, Committee.

Paid Maxfield & Currier, lumber,	\$ 7 83
“ Charles F. Savory, labor and findings.	8 02
“ Ebenezer Woodman, 3 1-2 days' labor,	7 00
“ Charles H. Ordway and John W. Downing, for painting and furnishing stock,	36 00
“ G. H. Elkins, for stock and whitewashing,	15 00
“ Jacob Eaton, for labor and supplies.	6 94
“ “ “ for center piece for main hall,	7 00
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	\$ 87 79

TOWN OFFICERS.

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST.

Paid Greenleaf Kelly, services,	\$ 2 00
“ Nathan H. Brown, services,	5 00
“ Phillips White, “	7 00

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Rev. Samuel P. Everett, services,	\$ 10 00
“ Phineas P. Whitehouse, “	5 00

TOWN CLERK.

Phineas P. Whitehouse, services,	\$ 20 00
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TREASURER.

Jacob Eaton, services,	\$ 20 00
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COLLECTOR.

Andrew J. Currier, services,	\$ 25 00
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JANITOR.

Phillips White, services,	\$ 5 00
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SEXTON.

Isaiah F. Purinton, services,	\$ 6 00
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SELECTMEN.

Frederick B. French, services,	\$ 20 00
“ “ one day's time extra appraisal,	1 50
“ “ one day's time blank inventories,	1 50
“ “ assessing school-house tax,	1 00
“ “ calling town meetings in November,	2 00
George B. Palmer, services,	15 00
“ “ one day's time extra appraisal,	1 50
“ “ one day's time blank inventories,	1 50
“ “ calling town meetings in November,	1 50
Alfred S. Jewell, services,	15 00
“ “ one day's time extra appraisal,	1 50
“ “ one day's time blank inventories,	1 50
“ “ calling town meetings in November,	2 00
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	\$ 170 50

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid State tax,	\$ 424 00
“ County tax,	294 87
“ Samuel A. Everett, printing Reports, postals and tax bills,	24 65
“ Fred. B. French for bounty paid to sundry persons for woodchucks,	29 70
“ David T. Woodman for damage to sheep and turkeys by dogs,	6 00
“ John A. Douglass, returning 4 births and 1 death,	1 25
“ Batchelder & Thompson, Collector's and Surveyor's books,	1 87
“ New Hampshire Fire Insurance Co., insurance on Town Hall five years,	45 00
“ John O. P. Clifford, support of watering trough,	2 00
“ Frank O. Towle, one cord wood,	4 00
“ P. P. Whitehouse, recording 10 births, 14 deaths and 11 marriages,	5 25
“ P. P. Whitehouse, postage, stationery, express, and record book,	4 20

" Fred. B. French, half day distributing town reports,	75
" " " repairing grave-yard fence and guide-board,	75
" " " hauling brush from grave-yards,	2 00
" " " cash paid for oil, 28 cts, soap 5 cts,	33
" " " pass books .35, telephoning .25,	
postals 1.25,	1 85
" " " stakes .12, 2 brooms & 1 brush 1.10,	1 22
" " " glass and putty 1.00, hooks .36,	1 36
George B. Palmer, grading in front of Town Hall and distributing town reports,	1 50
George E. Flanders, clearing up grave-yards,	5 00
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	\$ 860 85

RECAPITULATION.

School-House,	\$ 100 00
Support of Schools,	498 00
Support of Poor,	167 50
Note and Interest Account,	150 00
Abatements,	21 80
Discounts,	37 85
Highways and Bridges,	60 33
Town House,	87 79
Town Officers,	170 50
Miscellaneous,	860 85
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Total,	\$ 2145 62

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

ASSETS.

Cash in the Treasury,	\$ 411 65
Due from A. J. Currier, Collector for 1884,	194 69
" S. N. Welch, " " 1878,	10 00
" W. A. Woodman, " " 1876,	15 00
" " " " " 1875,	7 19
" judgment against J. M. Heath,	462 77
Interest due from April 28, 1871,	384 07
Due from U. S. Bounties,	914 80

LIABILITIES.

The Town owes the Barnard School Fund,	\$2500 00
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DOG TAX ACCOUNT.

Cash on hand March 1, 1884,	\$ 6 00
Paid David T. Woodman,	6 00
Dog tax assessed this year,	\$ 9 00
“ abated “	1 00
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	8 00
Collected this year's tax,	\$ 6 00
“ last “	4 00
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Cash on hand,	\$ 10 00
Due the town, \$ 2 00.	

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB EATON, Treasurer.

FREDERICK B. FRENCH,	} Selectmen of South Hampton.
GEORGE B. PALMER,	
ALFRED S. JEWELL,	

SOUTH HAMPTON, March 2, 1885.

We have this day examined the records of Selectmen's accounts, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched for.

JOHN PAIGE,	} Auditors of South Hampton.
FRANK O. TOWLE,	
FRANK M. JEWELL,	

SCHOOL REPORT.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Prudential Committee, FRANK M. JEWELL. Money appropriated, \$ 206 64.

The school in this district was taught by MISS LIZZIE J. BROWNE of Northwood, a teacher who has for several years been favorably known in this town. She has done faithful work in the school-room during the past year, and satisfactory progress was made in the various branches attended to. We were pleased with the appearance of the school on the day of the closing examination. We found it quiet and orderly, and as a whole the pupils were commendably prompt in their recitations.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Prudential Committee, FREDERICK B. FRENCH. Money appropriated, \$ 161 50.

The same teacher who taught this school last year, MISS LIZZIE M. BAKIE of Kingston, was again employed. Under her instruction the scholars made good advancement, and gave evidence, at the examination, of much study during the year. The teacher appeared to take great interest in her work, and had the faculty of spurring her pupils on to close application, resulting in rapid progress.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Prudential Committee, CHARLES M. EVANS. Money appropriated, \$ 120 86.

The first and second terms were taught by MR. FRED L. WEARE of Seabrook, and the third term by MR. WILLIAM D. EATON of the same town. The scholars made fair progress from the beginning of the school year, and became more and more interested in their studies as the year advanced. The school closed on one of the most unpropitious days of the winter, and there were scarcely any visitors to listen to the class exercises at the examination.

After the removal from town of Rev. S. P. Everett, the Superintending School Committee chosen by the town, the undersigned was appointed by the Selectmen to fill the vacancy. He regrets that he has been obliged to make up his report with little personal knowledge of the schools; but he has consulted with Mr. Everett in regard to their progress through the year, and has been pleased to find the educational affairs of the town to have been, on the whole, in such good hands.

Your Committee would call attention to the school registers, which, in some instances, have not been as faithfully kept and as carefully filled out as they should have been. It may not be generally known that the law requires that at the end of each term the teacher shall make a return of the register to the Superintending School Committee, who shall give to the teacher a certificate for the same; and no teacher is entitled to any pay until such certificate is presented to the Prudential Committee. It is very important that the registers should be kept with accuracy, and that they should be completely filled out at the close of the year. The various items are needed either in making out the report to the town, or in making the return to the Superintendent of Public Instruction at Concord.

By a vote of the town, the sum of \$80.50, in addition to the amount required by law, was raised for the support of schools, making \$451.50, the same amount raised last year.

The Literary Fund from the State for this town, which is equally divided among the districts, was \$37.52.

Respectfully submitted, P. P. WHITEHOUSE,
Superintending School Committee.

ROLL OF HONOR.

NAMES OF PUPILS NOT ABSENT FOR ONE TERM:

ELVIRA M. RING,	EZRA B. DOWNING,	ASHBEL P. COPELAND,
ADDIE C. JEWELL,	ALVAH L. DOWNING,	NELSON A. COPELAND,
MARGERY Y. JEWELL,	CHARLES L. MARSTON,	WILLIE WELCH,
ADDIE J. HATCH,	M. BESSIE EATON,	HOWARD M. TOWLE,
JENNIE M. HATCH,	MABEL HUNT,	ARTHUR L. TOWLE,
ETHA M. EVERETT,	GRACE E. PRESCOTT,	JOSEPH C. EVANS.
WALLACE B. MORRILL,	SAMMIE C. PRESCOTT,	

SCHOLARS NOT ABSENT FOR TWO TERMS.

ANNIE V. FOLLANSBEE, GIRTIE E. RING, WILLIE W. DOWNING.

NOT ABSENT DURING THE YEAR:

EMMA L. HATCH,	ETTA G. RING,	EDITH M. FOLLANSBEE,
ALICE E. HATCH,	NETTIE B. FOLLANSBEE,	IRA M. DOWNING.

Tabular Statement.

	DISTRICT.			TOTAL.
	1	2	3	
Number of weeks in Spring term, - - - - -	10	11	5.8	
“ “ “ Fall “ - - - - -	11	13.2	8.6	
“ “ “ Winter “ - - - - -	7		10.6	
Average attendance in Spring, - - - - -	32	14	8	54
“ “ “ Fall, - - - - -	25	9	7	41
“ “ “ Winter, - - - - -	22		7	29
Wages of male teachers per month in Summer, - - - - -			23	
“ “ “ “ Winter, - - - - -			25	
“ female “ “ Summer, - - - - -	\$26	\$25		
“ “ “ “ Winter, - - - - -	\$26	\$25		
Whole number of scholars in Spring, - - - - -	35	17	9	61
“ “ “ “ Fall, - - - - -	28	9	9	46
“ “ “ “ Winter, - - - - -	23		9	32
Whole number of different scholars during the year, - - - - -	37	17	9	63
Number of scholars in Reading, - - - - -	37	17	9	63
“ “ “ Penmanship, - - - - -	28	10	9	47
“ “ “ Spelling, - - - - -	35	17	9	61
“ “ “ Arithmetic, - - - - -	30	10	9	49
“ “ “ Geography, - - - - -	19	3	9	31
“ “ “ Grammar, - - - - -	15	4	3	22
“ “ “ Book-Keeping, - - - - -	1			1
“ “ “ Composition, - - - - -		6		6
“ “ “ History, - - - - -	8	4	1	13
“ “ “ Algebra, - - - - -	4	4	1	9
“ “ “ Physiology, - - - - -			1	1
“ “ “ Philosophy, - - - - -		2		2

